TAKING POSSESSION OF ALL THE REVENUE FOREST AREA IN SOUTH KANARA DISTRICT BY THE FOREST DEPARTMENT.

*Q.—720. Sri V. SRINIVASA SHETTY (Coondapur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Forest Department has taken possession of all the Revenue Forest areas in South Kanara District and if so from what date ;

(*b*) the provision that they have made to safeguard the rights of the farmers, regarding the removal of green and dry leaves, firewood, wood for agricultural purposes and grazing their cattle ;

(*c*) whether they have demarcated any specific areas adjoining lands for this purpose or propose to do so ?

*A.—Sri H. S. RUDRAPPA (Minister for Forests).—

(*a*) Yes, from 1st September 1960.

(*b*) All the rights in existence prior to 1st September, 1960, are being continued.

(*c*) Demarcation of boundaries has been undertaken and completed in respect of 29 blocks leaving a buffer zone of 100 yards between the patta lands and the proposed reserves.

REORGANISATION OF LABOUR DEPARTMENT.

*Q.—857. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have re-organised the Labour Department ; and if so, the details :

(*b*) whether the number of conciliation officers' posts have been reduced ;

(*c*) the financial implications of the said re-organisation (T. A. and D. A. drawn by the Officers since re-organisation and prior to that may be furnished) ;

(*d*) whether representations have been received that the re-organisation has led to lot of difficulties for workmen ?

*A.—Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA (Minister for Law and Labour).—

(*a*) Yes. The Labour Department has been re-organised in October, 1960. As a result of re-organisation, one post of Deputy Labour Commissioner and eight Class I (Junior Scale) posts designated as Assistant Labour Commissioners have been created. Four Assistant Labour Commissioners have been posted at the Head Office to be in charge of the four sections.

The State has been divided into four divisions coinciding with the jurisdiction of the Divisional Commissioners and each division has been placed in charge of an Assistant Labour Commissioner. The headquarters of the four divisions are at Bangalore, Mysore, Gulbarga and Hubli.

The four divisions have been further sub-divided into ten sub-divisions each in charge of a Class I Officer designated as Labour Officer. The Labour Officer will work under supervision of Assistant Labour Commissioners (Divisions)

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) *T. A. and D. A. drawn by Officers :—*

From March, 1960 to the end of October, 1960 *i.e.*, prior to re-organisation ... ... Rs. 11,638.

From November, 1960 to the end of February, 1961, *i.e.*, after re-organisation ... ... Rs. 6,924.

(*d*) Yes.

PAYMENTS OF COMPENSATION TO RYOTS AFFECTED DUE TO THE RAISING OF WASTE WEIR OF THE TANK IN DAMBALA VILLAGE IN MUNDARGI TALUK.

* *Q.*—894. Sri M. S. PATTAN (Ramdurg).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the reasons for not yet paying the compensation to the ryots owning about 27 acres of land in S. Numbers 453, 396, 447, 890, and in some other S. Noumbers that were affected by the back waters owing to the raising of the waste weir by two feet of the tank belonging to Dambala village in Mundargi Taluk during 1956 in order to provide water to some more lands ;

(*b*) the reasons for not taking any action on the representations of the ryots to the higher authorities in this behalf ;

(*c*) the time required for granting compensation to the said affected ryots ?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Preliminary notification under urgency clause was issued on 6th June 1961. Compensation will be paid after the acquisition proceedings are completed.

(*b*) Necessary action is being taken.

(*c*) As early as possible.